# PROCEEDINGS OF THE BROWN COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Pursuant to Section 19.84 Wis. Stats., a regular meeting of the **Brown County Public Safety Committee** was held on Wednesday, July 6, 2011 in Room 200, Northern Building, 305 East Walnut Street, Green Bay, WI

Present:

Tom De Wane, Dave Kaster, Andy Nicholson, Pat Buckley

Excused:

Tim Carpenter

**Also Present:** 

Troy Streckenbach, John Gossage, Don Hein, Jenny Hoffman, Brian Shoup, Cullen Peltier, Randy Schultz, Kris Schuller, John Vander Leest, other interested parties and

media.

### I. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair De Wane at 5:05 p.m.

### II Approve/Modify Agenda

Motion made by Supervisor Kaster, seconded by Supervisor Buckley to approve. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

III. Approve/Modify Minutes of June 1, 2011.

Motion made by Supervisor Kaster, seconded by Supervisor Buckley to approve. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

At this time, a public hearing was held for the purpose of discussing the proposed creation of Section 30.10 of the Brown County Code entitled "Fuel Theft Prevention."

Chair Dewane explained the purpose of the meeting and stated that anyone in attendance who wished to address the Committee would be given the opportunity to do so.

Supervisor Buckley gave some background with regard to this proposed ordinance by stating that one of the community police officers had approached him and indicated that gas drive-offs were becoming an increasing problem. Buckley stated he knows from his experience as a police officer that gas drive-offs have always been a problem and they are frustrating to respond to because often there is very little information to go on. Buckley continued that police departments are getting busier and operating with less resources and their task is to problem solve and find ways to better utilize the resources available to them. He indicated that there are some communities outside of Brown County that do not even respond to gas drive-offs.

Buckley stressed that the idea of this ordinance originated with the police department in their efforts to problem solve, not the gas station or convenience store owners. He did understand that some people may feel inconvenienced by having to go into the station to pay, but he also felt that having two or three officers tied up on a gas drive-off was inconvenient and further, that a large percentage of people already pay at the pump. He felt that gas drive-offs is a crime that is totally preventable and that times are changing and Brown County has to change with the times.

#### -Jack Gregg, 1300 Lake Largo Drive, Green Bay, Wisconsin

Mr. Gregg is the owner of I-43 Business Center Shell and is also representing 20 other convenience stores in the county and additionally advised that he had permission to state that Grand Central Station is in support of this proposed ordinance. Gregg stated that drive-offs are very expensive for convenience stores and are becoming more frequent as gas prices rise. Most of the stations he is representing are not corporate franchises that can easily absorb those losses and they are all just trying to stay in business. He also stated that he realized that due to budget constraints and increasing workloads, law enforcement is unable to respond to drive-offs like they used to. He has heard comments that government should not impose more regulations on private business, however, the majority of the people he knows in the convenience store/gas station business are asking for more protection in the area of drive-offs. Gregg felt that with the prepay ordinance there would never be another drive-off in the county which means that law enforcement would never have to respond to another drive-off call. He explained that prepay would not affect anybody who already pays with a credit or debit card at the pump or inside. The only people that would be somewhat affected are the people that pay by cash or check, but those customers have to come inside anyway. Statewide the percentage of customers who pay with debit or credit card is 75%, leaving 25% paying by cash or check. Gregg stressed that gas drive-offs are a preventable crime, but the only way to prevent it is to impose the ordinance which would put everyone on the same playing field. He felt that the reason there may be some animosity to the proposed ordinance is because some stations may feel they would gain customers if they do not require prepay and nearby stations do. Gregg acknowledged that that law enforcement tries to help with drive-offs, but he also realized that it is not always possible for officers to respond in a timely manner to give the the same protections that are given to retail thefts. Gregg felt this ordinance would be a win-win situation for law enforcement as well as convenience stores and service stations.

Supervisor Nicholson arrived at 5:20 p.m.

#### -Patrol Captain Randy Schultz, Brown County Sheriff's Department

Cpt. Schultz informed the Committee that he had been approached by Lt. Bill Bongle from the Green Bay Police Department several months ago with regard to this. He stated that the call volume has increased over the last several years but also noted that the patrol division is not increasing. Schultz's mission as the division director is to make the officers more efficient and he felt that one way to do this would be to eliminate the issue of responding to gas drive-offs by adopting this ordinance.

Supervisor Kaster questioned if the call volume is growing in comparison with the population and Schultz answered that some of the call increase is population based but he also felt that it is economy based as well. Kaster also asked if most convenience stores and gas stations have cameras and Schultz stated that they do, however, often times license plates are missing or have been switched or people wear hoodies to conceal their identity.

Kaster stated that he worked for a company that has several gas stations in Brown County and his employer's perspective was that drive-offs are not a problem big enough that they want the government becoming involved. Schultz stated he understood there were opinions on both sides and the reason he is before the Committee is to let the Committee know that what is important to him as the Sheriff's Department Patrol Division Director is to find ways to make the Sheriff's Department more efficient.

Supervisor Buckley asked how many man hours the Sheriff's Department typically spends on a gas drive-off. Schultz stated that the initial call would take a minimum of 30 minutes consisting of obtaining a statement from the attendant and gathering information for the report. After that, depending on what kind of information is provided to follow up, it could go anywhere from nowhere to many hours of follow up trying to locate an individual, conducting an interview, obtaining tapes and bringing them to the investigative division and getting CDs cut for the evidentiary records. Schultz also stated that you need to prove the intent of the crime which is not always easy. Several hours may be put in before bringing it to a judge and/or jury only to find it goes nowhere.

Dewane asked how many gas drive-off calls have been received to date this year. Schultz stated that for the first quarter of 2011 there have been 120, compared with the first quarter of 2010 in which there were 114 calls and the first quarter of 2009 in which there were 90 calls. The total number of gas drive off calls in 2010 was 426 and the total number in 2009 was 336.

### -Ralph Aschenbrener, 3774 Rolling Heights, Hobart, Wisconsin

Mr. Aschenbrener stated that he is an owner/partner of Main Stop BP, a family run business in the center of the city. He stated that there is a lot of transient action that takes place in this area and he has had a number of people pass through with the intent of stealing gas and then leaving town. He felt that this problem exists all over; however, he believed it more prevalent in the inner city. He has been in business for almost 15 years and has had gas drive-offs from day one. They have tried a number of things on their own to be proactive but the drive-offs continue.

Aschenbrener felt that if they were to go to prepay at their location on their own, the competition in the area may not and that would result in a loss of customers. He also pointed out that they are taxpayers and operate and live under the government's rules and are now seeking some assistance from the government to combat this problem.

Aschenbrener further felt that drive-offs create a safety issue as the person driving off usually leaves the station at a high rate of speed. He related that earlier in the week, they had a drive-off at their location and they followed the car which turned down an alley at 60 mph, creating an unsafe situation. He has done some internet research and found that in Canada a person was killed when they grabbed the door handle trying to stop a drive-off and was dragged and he does not want to see that happen in Green Bay. He understands that there are a lot of factors to consider, but from a retailer standpoint and a law enforcement standpoint and from a customer's standpoint and the safety of the general public, he felt this ordinance is appropriate.

#### -Community Policing Officer Scott Schuetze, Green Bay Police Department

Officer Schuetze stated that this project started when he saw an increasing number of drive-off thefts in the city. When he started on the police department over 20 years ago, a gas drive-off was \$5.00 or \$10.00, now the drive-offs are in the area of \$50.00, \$60.00 or more. He was trying to figure out a way to solve the problem of drive-offs which led to a meeting with some gas station owners. Initially the police department did not want to have the government regulate this; however, the gas station owners stressed their desire to have the government help them. Schuetze indicated that they wanted this to be a County wide ordinance because some of the station owners felt if they imposed prepay at their businesses on their own, customers may have a tendency to go to a different station that did not require prepayment.

Schuetze indicated that he had recently heard of a theft where the person parked their car outside of camera range, filled up a gas can and then drove off. He is also starting to see more and more people changing license plates and wearing hoodies to conceal their identity to get away with this.

With regard to the \$300.00 penalty associated with the ordinance, Schuetze stressed that in the course of creating this ordinance, it was not a desire of anyone to punish or penalize someone for reporting gas drive-offs, but rather to push them to follow the ordinance.

Chair Dewane stated that what the ordinance will do is save gas station owners thousands of dollars, prevent the loss of thousands of dollars and save the taxpayers thousands of dollars. Schuetze agreed with this and stated that it is the only way to prevent gas drive-offs in the future. Buckley asked Schuetze what his fellow officers' response was to this proposed ordinance and Schuetze stated that most of them thought it was a great idea, although there were some that felt it would never happen.

Nicholson asked if a gas drive-off is against the law and Schuetze indicated that it is a theft. Nicholson then asked if citations are written for drive-offs and Schuetze indicated that citations are sometimes written, however, many times station owners just want to recoup payment for the gas. Nicholson asked why citations are not always written and Schuetze stated that many times the station owners are asked "what would you like done". If they choose to prosecute, they would have to send a witness to court. Schuetze stated that when a car is pulled over that is suspected of a drive-off, sometimes they admit it and other times they don't. Nicholson asked if driving off without paying is against the law, why there is no directive from the Chief to issue citations and Schuetze indicated that this comes down to officer discretion. Nicholson stated that he felt drive-off should be enforced in a "no tolerance" manner similar to shoplifting and this directive should come from the Police Chief.

#### -Beth Aschenbrener, Main Stop BP, 1335 Main Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin

Aschenbrener stated that everywhere they turn the government is involved and charging them for something. Now they are asking for support from the government and the government is backing down. She stated that this is a time they would really like the government to be there for them to support them and put them all on the same playing field. She indicated that drive-offs are very costly and time consuming and in the end the consumer ends up paying. She felt that this ordinance would protect the consumer as well as the small business owners and also help the police department.

-Jack Gregg spoke again reiterating some if the issues set forth above.

Buckley pointed out that nobody showed up to oppose this ordinance. He also reiterated that he felt the crime of gas drive-offs is 100% preventable and further, that the taxpaying members of the community are asking for help and he urged his fellow aldermen and supervisors to take a good hard look at this issue and support it.

Kaster stated that he does not think business owners want government shoving their nose any further into their business nor does he believe this ordinance is the only way to solve this issue. Kaster pointed out that if 75% of gas station customers already pay with a credit or debit card, that only leaves 25% of the customers that have the possibility of driving off. He felt strongly that government was never made to level the playing field. Kaster did understand the problems of the business owners and stated the company he works for has also considered

ways to try to prevent drive-offs, but he does not believe that it is government's role to level the playing field for businesses and he urged the business owners to try to come up with ways to fix this problem themselves. He also stated that he had been contacted by three gas station owners who were not in support of this ordinance.

#### 1. Review of minutes:

a. Emergency Medical Services Council (May 18, 2011).

Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson, seconded by Supervisor Buckley to receive and place on file. Vote taken. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

#### Communication

2. Communication by Supervisor Vander Leest re: Request to explore ways to increase fraud investigations in Social Services in Brown County. *Held for one month*.

Supervisor Vander Leest stated that Wisconsin lags behind other neighboring states in both investigations and prosecution of fraud. Going back to 2007, Wisconsin was 85% less than Michigan and Minnesota. He stated that Wisconsin has a culture of not cracking down on welfare fraud and there have been state audits that show this and he felt there may be more ways the County can look at trying to stop fraud.

Vander Leest continued by stating that the Food Share program in Wisconsin has doubled since 2003. He felt the County should look at adding an additional investigator for later in the year or next year's budget. He reported that Racine County has been taking additional steps with regard to food stamp fraud and Wisconsin is also taking a look at how to administer the programs differently, but he felt the front lying County needs to do some of the investigations and look into some of the things closer than what we have been doing. From his perspective and what he has learned from the state level, we should be doing more.

Vander Leest went on to state that Racine County is working on doing some new things with regard to fraud and he felt Brown County could try to get some feedback from other counties to see what they have been doing and what has been successful. He has spoken with the internal auditor about this as well and she had some additional ideas. He felt there was more to be learned and if Brown County sends the right message that we are serious about cracking down on fraud, fraud may begin to slow down.

Nicholson suggested that Vander Leest encourage Senator Lasee to look into reducing the benefits to the area. Nicholson felt if we start looking at that, it would be a step in the right direction because there is currently no residency requirement to obtain benefits. Economic Support Administrator Jenny Hoffman stated that this is a federal issue and Nicholson felt that some sort of communication should be sent to our federal representative to change that. Nicholson also felt that having a police officer in the Human Services Department that has arresting powers is a step in the right direction. Jenny Hoffman stated that there have been 100 investigations so far in 2011. Nicholson also felt we should be looking at whether Brown County needs the percentage of benefits that we are currently receiving and also look at adding an additional investigator if it appears warranted.

Vander Leest stated that many of the programs are federal programs and therefore if Brown County were to oppose them, the County Board would need to send a resolution to our federal representative.

Nicholson asked for examples of what Racine County is doing and Vander Leest stated that they are taking on some of the Food Share fraud that they have been encountering. Vander Leest stated that he will gather more details and come back to the Committee. One of the things the State is also looking at is requiring a photo ID on the Food Share program so benefits cannot be sold to other parties. Hoffman stated that many of the rules and regulations are federal and therefore legislative changes would be necessary. Hoffman also stated that Brown County is recognized as being a leader in the fraud investigation area and legislators have contacted them frequently because of the efforts that Brown County has undertaken. Vander Leest felt a resolution from the County Board would be in order to attempt to change the residency requirements and perhaps we could also try to get other counties in the state to be onboard to change the rule and maybe include additional language regarding other things that are egregious as well. Dewane asked Vander Leest if he could work with Human Services and Attorney Mohr and bring something back to the Committee that could be submitted. Vander Leest also felt that the County Executive should hear these thoughts as well.

# Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson and seconded by Supervisor Kaster to refer to staff. Vote taken. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

Human Services Director Brian Shoup stated that one of the things in the Budget Bill that was just passed was the creation of 19 additional state investigator positions for welfare fraud. The details for this are not available yet and the Department of Health Services still has a number of things to work out. One of the concerns that Shoup had, however, is that the 19 investigators will be state positions but he has learned that fraud investigation is best done at the local level. Shoup also felt that it would be very important that these 19 positions were filled by sworn officers, but he did not feel that this would be the case and his opinion was that the 1.3 million dollars for these positions could be better utilized by being allocated to the county level to allow law enforcement on the county level to provide those services.

Sheriff Gossage stated that one of the issues we are facing is that the County is subsidizing the fraud investigator to investigate monies and benefits that are lost in the state and federal government. Gossage said his position would be to go after the state and federal government to pay or reimburse the County for the fraud investigator so we can become more effective and more efficient without having this responsibility fall on the county taxpayers.

County Executive Troy Streckenbach stated that as these discussions continue about how Brown County continues to lead in the fraud reform, we also need to realize that if we are going to be finding these cases we need to increase our budget lines to include funds to prosecute them. He felt in the long run prevention of fraud versus increasing investigations may be more prudent.

Buckley stated that although he did agree that more investigators would be a good idea, he did not feel that it should solely come at the County's expense when what is being monitored are state and federal programs. Buckley also felt that the funds allocated for the 19 state positions should be reallocated to the county for investigations, especially if the 19 would not be able to facilitate an arrest. Buckley also stated that with regard to the earlier suggestion for Vander Leest to speak with Fred Mohr, he should probably be speaking with Corporation Counsel as that is who works with the Human Services Department.

Dewane stated that he felt good progress has been made in this area through the work Shoup and Hoffman have done as well as the fraud investigator, and he also thanked Vander Leest for his efforts and indicated anything that can be done would be greatly appreciated.

#### **District Attorney**

3. Monthly Drug Criminal Complaint Numbers (standing item).

Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson, seconded by Supervisor Buckley to receive and place on file. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### **Sheriff**

4. Key Factor Reports and Jail Average Daily Population by Month and Type for the Calendar Year 2011.

Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson, seconded by Supervisor Buckley to receive and place on file. Vote taken. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

5. Budget Status Financial Report for May, 2011.

Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson, seconded by Supervisor Kaster to receive and place on file. Vote taken. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

6. Budget Adjustment (11-84): Increase in expenses with offsetting increase in revenue.

Sheriff John Gossage stated that this is a grant program received through the Wisconsin DOT to offset the funding to install a camera in one of the patrol cars.

Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson and seconded by Supervisor Buckley to approve. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Budget Adjustment (11-85): Interdepartmental reallocation or adjustment (including reallocation from the County's General Fund).

Gossage stated that this budget adjustment would be to purchase five new Crown Victorias in 2011. This vehicle will no longer be available in 2012 and Gossage's position is that if they were to buy the five additional squads in 2011 that should get them through where they need to be.

Schultz stated that by purchasing five of the remaining Crown Victorias they would be equipped into at least half of 2012 which would give them time to learn from other agencies how the other models are holding up and how they are setting them up. At this point it is not even known if the cages will be compatible with the new models.

Motion made by Supervisor Kaster and seconded by Supervisor Buckley to approve. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Ordinance to Create Sec. 30.10 of the Brown County Code Entitled "Fuel Theft Prevention". Referred from June County Board.

Motion made by Supervisor Buckley, seconded by Supervisor Dewane to approve. Vote taken.

<u>Ayes</u>: Buckley, Dewane <u>Nays</u>: Nicholson <u>Abstain</u>: Kaster <u>MOTION CARRIED</u>

Motion made by Supervisor Buckley, seconded by Supervisor Nicholson to open the floor for comment. Vote taken. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

A member of the audience stated that he felt Supervisor Kaster should abstain from voting on this matter based on the comment he (Kaster) made that his employer was not in favor of the ordinance. Kaster stated that he would make his own decision, not a decision based on what his employer felt and further that he personally is not benefiting from this ordinance financially in any way. Dewane explained that if Kaster does not benefit financially in any way, he is allowed to vote and further that the ordinance goes from this Committee to a full vote by the County Board. Kaster agreed to abstain at this meeting and then they will obtain the opinion of the attorney at the County Board level whether he can vote or not.

Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson and seconded by Supervisor Buckley to return to regular order of business. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Nicholson asked if this ordinance would apply to every business that distributed gas to the public. Dewane explained that this ordinance is the same as what is being proposed in Green Bay, and under that ordinance the business owners who chose not to follow the ordinance would be charged for an investigation if they called for assistance with regard to a drive-off. Nicholson stated that that would force a business owner who chooses not to be in compliance with the ordinance to pay a fee or fine for services they are already paying for as taxpayers. He does not agree with this and he will be voting no. Nicholson then asked Streckenbach if Corporation Counsel will be at the County Board meeting and Streckenbach responded that he felt Attorney Mohr should handle this, but Corporation Counsel should also be at the County Board meeting.

Dewane stated that he will be supporting the ordinance for the reasons he set forth earlier. Buckley also stated that he will be supporting this ordinance based on his earlier comments and also encouraged anyone who still had questions to contact him as he would be happy to sit down and discuss this further.

Kaster stated he will abstain until the full County Board meeting but still wished it noted that he felt this is not the only way to handle this problem and he will not support it.

9. Closed Session: Pursuant to Wis. Stats. §19.85(1)(f) considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems, or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies, which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations (Fraud Investigations).

Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson, seconded by Supervisor Kaster to enter into Closed Session at 7:05 p.m. Roll Call: Present: Dewane, Kaster, Nicholson, Buckley. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson, seconded by Supervisor Buckley to return to regular business at 7:38 p.m. Roll Call: Present: Dewane, Kaster, Nicholson, Buckley. Vote taken. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

Shoup provided the committee with a report (a copy of which is attached) that had been put together by Jenny Hoffman in response to the Committees' request to give a scope of the Medicaid benefits being paid out in Brown County, the Food Share benefits and the child care issuances.

Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson, seconded by Supervisor Buckley to hold for one month. Vote taken. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

#### 10. Sheriff's Report.

Gossage wished to advise the Committee that the Drug Task Force has made 315 arrests during the first six months of 2011, the majority of which are felonies. This is compared to the 2010 stats for the year of 493. He also reported that the jail population is currently about 92% and they had just recently reviewed some of the probation and parole list to pull some of those inmates out since the County only receives \$28.95 per day for probation holds.

He also reported on the new Sheriff's Office and reported that they are on track to be moving in on schedule. The project is on budget and the new furniture has been delivered and is being set up.

Gossage also brought up the issue of the jail fencing. The amount of \$26,500 was approved for this in March, 2011. Since that time, Gossage has been informed that there was an error in the jail fencing quote. This is due to the fact that the Department of Commerce Code was not followed. The fencing that is abutted next to the building had to have a gangway or be 50 feet away from the building and that was not taken into consideration. A new estimate was obtained, a copy of which is attached. Option one of the new estimate for a north enclosure is \$20,582.00 and option two for a south enclosure is \$21,731 and these amounts are in addition to the \$26,500 already approved.

Dewane asked Streckenbach if he has had a chance to speak with Facilities with regard to this error. Streckenbach indicated that when this first was brought to his attention Facilities Management Director Bill Dowell was on vacation. He has since had an opportunity to speak with him and this was definitely an error on the part of Facilities.

Nicholson asked how soon Gossage is expecting the project to be completed and he indicated that the project had to go back out for RFP but he felt there would be time to budget this for next year. Nicholson asked if it would be best to do the project all at one time and Gossage stated that that would be the best way to handle it.

Buckley stated that he felt it should be Facilities responsibility to find the money to complete the project. It should not be the Sheriff's responsibility to try and figure out all of the mistakes that Facilities makes.

Motion made by Supervisor Buckley, seconded by Supervisor Nicholson for Facilities Management to be responsible for funds over the amount allocated of \$26,500 to complete the jail fencing project. Vote taken. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

Kaster asked who discovered the error and Gossage indicated that it was Mark Rowe who was working with Facilities and this is who brought this to Sheriff Gossage's attention.

### **Public Safety Communications**

11. Budget Status Financial Report for April, 2011.

Motion made by Supervisor Buckley, seconded by Supervisor Nicholson to receive and place on file. Vote taken. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

12. Budget Adjustment (11-81): Increase in expenses with offsetting increase in revenue.

Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson, seconded by Supervisor Buckley to take Numbers 12 and 14 together. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Emergency Management Director Cullen Peltier stated that this a quick turn around on a grant. They did the grant application review and subsequently got the award and it is for training on the incident command system for the Health Department.

Motion made by Supervisor Buckley and seconded by Supervisor Kaster to approve Numbers 12 and 14. Vote taken. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

13. Budget Adjustment (11-82): Increase in expenses with offsetting increase in revenue.

Peltier stated that they had received a grant award to do some emergency operations center training for an exercise they are going to do jointly with Outagamie County and Brown County.

Motion made by Supervisor Kaster, seconded by Supervisor Buckley to approve. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. Grant Application Review (11-09): Homeland Security – HS NIMS and ICS Training.

See Number 12 above.

15. Director's Report.

Karl Fleury indicated that Vendor Day had been held recently at UWGB and this included several major vendors with portables and equipment with regard to the radio project. They had a great turnout and there were representatives from Harris, Realm, Motorola, Kenwood and EF Johnson. With regard to the radio project, they are continuing with site acquisitions.

He has also reviewed applications for open positions in his department. He has reviewed 50 applications so far and has about 50 more to go.

Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson, seconded by Supervisor Buckley to receive and place on file. Vote taken. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

### **Circuit Courts**

16. Budget Status Financial Report for May, 2011.

Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson and seconded by Supervisor Kaster to receive and place on file. Vote taken. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

### **Clerk of Courts**

17. Budget Status Financial Report for May, 2011.

Motion made by Supervisor Kaster, seconded by Supervisor Nicholson to receive and place on file. Vote taken. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

Medical Examiner - No agenda items.

#### **Other**

18. Audit of bills.

Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson, seconded by Supervisor Buckley to approve. Vote taken. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

19. Such other matters as authorized by law.

Motion made by Supervisor Buckley, seconded by Supervisor Kaster to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED <u>UNANIMOUSLY</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Therese Giannunzio Recording Secretary

## **Brown County Human Services**

### Benefit Dollars funded by Federal and State Government State Department of Health Services

CY	Case Count	Elig Indv Count	M	edicaid Benefits	Foo	dshare Benefits
2010	21,129	48,989	\$	162,929,605	\$	33,464,802
Thru 5/2011						\$14,996,382

### Benefit Dollars funded by Federal and State Government State Department of Children and Families

			Child Care	
CY	Case Count	Child Count	<b>Issuance Amount</b>	*
2010	1873	2917	\$7,375,832.05	
Thru 5/2011	1382	2122	\$3,430,082.16	

Administration of Income Maintenance and Child Care Programs				
	Federal	State	County Levy	Total
20	10 \$1,979,183	\$824,794	\$780,616	\$3,584,593

### Information You Must Tell Us To Apply

When applying for FoodShare, Medicaid, BadgerCare Plus and Family Planning Only Services, you will need to provide certain information. The following is needed for each person applying:

- Social Security Number (SSN) (If you are applying for Emergency Services or Prenatal Services you do not have to provide an SSN.)
- · Date of birth
- · Marital status
- · Who lives in your home and how you are related,
- Where you live (street address, city, state, Zip Code)
- Citizenship/immigration status
- Job information including employer's name address and phone number
- Income (self-employment income, job income and wages, how often and how much paid)
- Other income (child support, Veterans Benefits, Social Security, Unemployment Compensation, etc.)
- Assets (if applying for Medicaid)
- For BadgerCare Plus and Medicaid: Information about any health insurance or long-term care insurance for all members applying and who is covered under the policy.

## What is Needed to Apply

### **Proof/Verification**

When you apply, you will need to send proof of some of your answers to your agency. See page 12 for the items of proof you may need.

If you apply by mail you should try to send as many items of proof as you have, but do not wait to apply until you have all the items of proof you need. The date your benefits begin depends on when the date the agency gets your application. See Begin Dates, for more information.

If you apply in person, take your items of proof with you to your appointment.

Please keep in mind that for FoodShare and Medicaid you are given credit for some costs. For BadgerCare Plus Standard and Benchmark plans, you are given credit for child support you pay to someone else. To get a credit, you must report the costs. You may be asked to provide proof of that cost.

Please note: If you have already given proof of citizenship and identity to your agency, you will not have to provide this information again. If you need help getting proof, contact your agency for help.

### Scan/Upload Proof

You can also login to your MyACCESS account to scan or upload your proof online to your agency. For more information about access, see <u>ACCESS.wi.gov</u> on page 10.

### **Important Information**

### **Begin Dates**

If you are able to be enrolled, the earliest date you will get benefits is:

#### **FoodShare**

The date the agency gets your signed request or your signed FoodShare application is the earliest date you can get benefits. Your name, address and signature is needed set your "application date". You will still need to complete the application and interview. You will be notified of your enrollment status, in writing, within 30 days from the day the agency gets your application.

### **Priority FoodShare Services**

You may be able to get FoodShare within 7 days of providing your application and/or registration form if, your household:

- Has \$100 or less available in cash or in the bank and
- Expects to receive less than \$150 of income this month; or
- Has rent/mortgage or utility costs that are more than your total gross monthly income, available cash or bank accounts for this month; or
- Includes a migrant or seasonal farm worker whose income has stopped.

### BadgerCare Plus Standard and Benchmark, Medicaid and Family Planning Only Services

The 1st day of the month in which the agency receives your application or signed request for assistance. If you have medical bills for the three months prior to your application, you may be able to get backdated coverage. See Backdated Coverage on page 8.

- · Help with paying for child care (Wisconsin Shares)
- W-2 cash assistance and help finding a job (Wisconsin Works)
- Home energy assistance
- Special tax credits
- Low cost life insurance

This tool will take you about 15 minutes to use. We will ask you to tell us about the people in your home, the money you get from a job or other places, your housing costs and a few other bills you may have. After you answer the questions, "Am I Eligible?" will list the programs you may be able to get and will also tell you how to learn more about these programs and how to apply.

Please keep in mind; Am I Eligible? is just a test to see if you might be able to get benefits. You will have to apply for these programs to get a final decision about benefits.

### **MyACCESS Account**

Create your MyACCESS account to apply and manage your benefits. With your MyACCESS account, you can:

- Apply online for and/or renew your benefits, for:
  - ✓ FoodShare
  - ✓ Medicaid
  - ✓ BadgerCare Plus
  - ✓ Family Planning Only Services
  - ✓ Child Care
- Get up-to-date information about the status of your benefits:
  - √ FoodShare
  - ✓ Medicaid
  - ✓ BadgerCare Plus
  - √ Family Planning Only Services
  - ✓ Caretaker Supplement
  - ✓ SeniorCare
  - ✓ Child Care
- Submit FoodShare/Child Care Six-Month Report forms
- Report a changes to your agency, for:
  - ✓ BadgerCare Plus
  - ✓ Medicaid
  - ✓ FoodShare
  - ✓ Child Care
- Scan or Upload your items of proof (verification) online to your agency
- · Ask for a replacement ForwardHealth Card
- Ask for an Explanation of Medicaid Benefits

### **Monthly Income and Asset Limits**

The following income and asset amounts are based on the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) guidelines and/or federal program income rules. The FPL guidelines listed are effective as of 2011. These amounts may change each year. For health care programs these amounts change at the beginning of each year. For FoodShare, these amounts change October 1st of each year. Federal guidelines can also be found at <a href="https://dx.doi.org/dhistorycom/customerhelp">dhs.wi.gov/em/customerhelp</a>.

Example of Family Size: For BadgerCare Plus and Medicaid, a pregnant mom, dad and one child is a family size of four, as you would count the unborn child.

For FoodShare, it would be a family size or three, as you would not count the unborn baby.

FoodShare Monthly Income Limits					
People in Household	Gross Income Limit	- Net Income Limit	Maximum Benefit		
1	\$1,806	\$ 903	Amount \$200		
2	\$2,430	\$1,215	\$367		
3	\$3,052	\$1,526	\$526		
4	\$3,676	\$1,838	\$668		
5	\$4,300	\$2,150	\$793		
6	\$4,922	\$2,461	\$952		
7	\$5,546	\$2,773	\$1,052		
For each add	itional person, a	dd:	_		
	\$624	\$312	\$150		

Family Size	100% FPL	. 150% FPL	200% FPL	300% FI
1	\$ 907.50	\$1,361.25	\$1,815.00	\$2,722.5
2	\$1,225.83	\$1,838.75	\$2,451.67	\$3,677.5
3	\$1,544.17	\$2,316.25	\$3,088.33	\$4,632.50
4	\$1,862.50	\$2,793.75	\$3,725.00	\$5,587.50
5	\$2,180.83	\$3,271.25	\$4,361.67	\$6,542.50
6	\$2,499.17	\$3,748.75	\$4,998.33	\$7,497.50

BadgerCare Plus (Standard, Benchmark, Prenatal Care,

Medicaid Monthly Inco	me and Asse	et Limits
Type	Assets	Monthly Net Income Amount
Medicaid Standard Plan — 1 Person	\$2,000	\$533.11 + actual shelter cost up to \$224.67
Medicaid Standard Plan — 2 People	\$3,000	\$806.05 + actual shelter cost up to \$337.00
Medicaid Deductible 1 Person	\$2,000	\$591.67
Medicaid Deductible 2 People	\$3,000	\$591.67
Home/Community Based Waivers	\$2,000	\$2,022
Institutional Medicaid	\$2,000	\$2,022
Medicaid Purchase Plan — 1 Person	\$15,000	\$2,268.75
Medicaid Purchase Plan — 2 People	\$15,000 Applicant Only	\$3,064.58

Medicare Savings Program Monthly Income Limits and Assets (also called Medicare Premium Assistance)					
Medicare Savings Plan	Assets	Monthly Net Income Limits			
Qualified Medicare Beneficiary 1 Person	\$6,680	\$ 907.50			
Qualified Medicare Beneficiary 2 People	\$10,020	\$1,225.83			
Specified Low Income Beneficiary 1 Person	\$6,680	\$1,089.00			
Specified Low Income Beneficiary 2 People	\$10,020	\$1,471.00			
Specified Low Income Beneficiary + 1 Person	\$6,680	\$1,225.13			
Specified Low Income Beneficiary + 2 People	\$10,020	\$1,654.88			
Qualified Disabled Working Individual 1 Person	\$4,000	\$1,815.00			
Qualified Disabled Working Individual 2 People	\$6,000	\$2,451.67			

Group Size	ncome Limits Level 1 — Income at or	Level 2a — Income between	tantal provide	
Group Size	below 160% FPL	160% - 200% FPL	Level 2b — Income between 200% - 240% FPL	Level 3 — Income more than 240% FPL
Individual	\$17,424	\$17,425 — \$21,780	\$21,781 — \$26,136	\$26,137 and over
Couple	\$23,536	\$23,537 — \$29,420	\$29,421 — \$35,304	\$35,305 and over

Proof/Verification Tables			
Proof Needed and Items You Can Use	BadgerCare Plus	Medicaid	FoodShare
<ul> <li>U.S. Citizenship (See note on page 7)</li> <li>U.S. passport</li> <li>U.S. birth certificate</li> <li>Citizenship ID card</li> <li>Adoption papers</li> <li>Military record</li> <li>Hospital record of U.S. birth</li> <li>Insurance record with U.S. birth</li> </ul>	Yes	Yes	No
Nursing home admission papers showing U.S. birth			
<ul> <li>Immigration Status — Anyone who is not a U.S. citizen can use a copy of his or her:</li> <li>Alien Registration card</li> <li>Naturalization certificate</li> </ul>	Yes	Yes	No

# Proof/Verification Tables

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Proof Needed and Items You Can Use	BadgerCare Plus	Medicaid	FoodShare
<ul><li>Identity (See page 7)</li><li>U.S. passport</li><li>Military dependent ID card</li></ul>	Yes	Yes	Yes
<ul> <li>State driver license</li> <li>Military ID or draft record</li> <li>School picture ID</li> <li>Native American Tribal document</li> <li>For children under 18 applying for health care, a signed Statement of Identity form.</li> </ul>			
Disability — You may be asked to provide proof of disability or blindness if the state is not able to get this information. If so, you may provide an approval letter from the State Disability Determination Bureau or award letter from the Social Security Administration.	No	Yes (if disabled)	Yes (if disabled)
Assets  • Bank statements  • Deeds  • Titles  • Contracts  • Life insurance policies, etc.	No	Yes	No
Health Insurance — The State of Wisconsin will check for you to see if employer health insurance is available to you and/or your family members.	Yes	No	No
Child Support Paid or Received — You can use:  Court order Payment record from other state	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pregnancy — You can use a note or letter from your health care provider that confirms the pregnancy and includes the due date.	Yes	Yes	No
Job Income and Wages — Proof of all job income and wages for all family members who have a job.  Check stubs (for the last 30 days)  An Employer Verification of Earnings (EVF-E) form  A letter from the employer.	Yes	Yes	Yes
If you choose a letter, it must have the same information as the EVF-E form. Note: If you want to use an EVF-E form, ask the agency to send one to you. Your employer must complete and sign his form. Return the completed form to your agency.			
Self-Employment Income — Proof of income for all family nembers who are self-employed.  Copies of tax forms  A Self-Employment Income Report. To get this form, go to dhs.wi.gov/em/customerhelp or contact your agency.	Yes	Yes	Yes

### **Proof/Verification Tables**

Proof Needed and Items You Can Use	Badgercare Plus	Medicaid	FoodShare
Other Income — You must provide proof of all other income for everyone in your home. Other income may include alimony, child	Yes	Yes	Yes
support, disability or sick pay, interest or dividends, Veterans Benefits, workers compensation, unemployment insurance, etc. You can use:			
Pension statement			

### Proof May Be Needed and Items You Can Use

Proof May Be Needed and Items You Can Use, if You Want to Get the Credit	BadgerCare Plus	Medicaid	FoodShare
Rent or House Payments — Some items you can use:	No	Yes	No
Lease or rental agreement or receipt/letter from landlord			
Mortgage payment record			
Utility Costs — Some items you can use are:	No	Yes	No
Utility and/or phone bill			,
Letter from utility company			
Firewood receipt			٠
Medical Costs/Expenses (some examples are doctor visits,	No	Yes	Yes
insurance premiums, hearing aids, transportation and lodging to			
see a health care provider, dentures, hearing aids, prosthetics; etc.)			
— Items you can use:			
Billing statement/Itemized receipts	!		
Medicare card showing Part "B" coverage			
Health insurance policy showing premium coinsurance, copay-			
ment, or deductible		-	
Medicine or pill bottle with price on label			

The following items are required to be verified. Please see the tables starting on page 12, for items you can use:

## Caretaker Supplement Proof/Verification

- Social Security number
- U.S. Citizenship
- Immigration Status
- Identity
- Job Income and wages
- Self-Employment Income Proof of income for all family
- Other Income (Other income may include alimony, child support, disability or sick pay, interest or dividends, Veterans Benefits, workers compensation, unemployment insurance, etc.
- Child Support Paid or Received
- Pregnancy
- Assets Only assets of the minor child is verified.

### SeniorCare Prescription Drug Assistance Proof/ Verification

- Social Security Number
- U.S. Citizenship
- Immigration Status
- Identity
- Job Income and wages
- Self-Employment Income Proof of income for all family members
- Other Income (Other income may include alimony, child support, disability or sick pay, interest or dividends, Veterans Benefits, workers compensation, unemployment insurance, etc.



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### Proposal To:

Ship To:

Brown County Facility Management

Mark Rowe

2900 Saint Anthony Dr. Green Bay, WI 54311

**≭** Installed

Material Only

Prepaid Freight

Freight Collect F.O.B. Job Site

Delivery Schedule: As Required

### Description

Attn Mark Rowe Brown County Jail Budgetr Numbers

Furnish and install 12' high chain link fence with 3 strands of barbwire, one coil of 30" razor wire and gates with cuff slots and Southern steel 1070 locks per your drawings and specifications.

Option 1: North enclosure approx. 219 LF of fence.

\$ 20,582.00

Option 2: South enclosure approx. 244 LF of fence.

\$ 21,731.00

Thank You Mark

Acceptance:	This proposal when accepted in writing between two parties. The conditions on	by purchaser and by Centu the attached "Terms and G	ry Fence Company's M Conditions" sheet are r	ain Office becomes a contract made a part of this contract.						
Terms of Payment: Net Cash upon receipt of invoice.										
Buyer's sign	ature	Date	Submitted by	Keith Köbus						

